

# VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

**September 19, 2014** 

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from September 12, 2014 – September 18, 2014. Readers are reminded that an "arrest" is based upon probable cause and does not always mean that someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean that an individual is automatically guilty of a crime. Judicial outcomes and post-arrest proceedings can be researched through the appropriate court's website.

(VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS is not meant to be a listing of every incident or call handled by the Vienna Police, but merely a more substantive summary of several incidents, which may be of interest to the community. Some reports may be outside the date parameters due to extended investigations or other circumstances. Some cases are not included at all due to ongoing investigations. Please contact MPO Gary Lose for further information at glose@viennava.gov)

## **INCIDENTS**

Police Service 14-10495 400 Block Glyndon Street, NE

Between August 06 at 9:00 a.m. and September 15 12:17 p.m.

A resident reported he was concerned that contractors were taking advantage of his elderly neighbor by performing unnecessary work and charging what he believed to be extremely high fees.

Police Service 14-10501 Cunningham Park Elementary School 1001Park Street, SE

Between September 03 at 9:00 a.m. and September 15 at 1:46 p.m.

A resident reported that her son had been repeatedly bullied at school.

Officer Kiley responded to the school and spoke with school officials who stated they are aware of the situation and are handling it internally.

#### Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 14-10381 Courthouse Road at Pine Knot Drive, SW September 12 2:27 a.m.

Officer Kiley was on patrol when he observed a vehicle with expired Virginia State license plates. As a result of the expired license plates he conducted a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he detected the signs of possible impairment. After failing to complete a series of field sobriety tests he arrested Ms. Samantha Kate Johnston, 23, of Sutler Store Court in Centreville, Virginia for Driving While Intoxicated.

Ms. Johnston was transported to the Vienna Police Station where she was given the opportunity to provide a sample of her breath for an analysis. After the analysis she was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where she was charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

Ms. Johnston was to be held until she was sober.

#### Narcotics Violation 14-10382 Lawyers Road at Maple Avenue, NW September 12 3:07 a.m.

Officer Holcombe was on patrol when she observed the driver of a vehicle commit a traffic offense. As a result of that offense she conducted a traffic stop. Upon her interaction with the driver she could smell the odor of marijuana, however no marijuana could be found in vehicle therefore there were no charges issued.

#### Suspicious Event 14-10402 300 Block Maple Avenue, West September 12 4:00 p.m.

An employee of a doctor's office reported an individual had attempted to fill fraudulent prescriptions at a Kmart in Richmond, Virginia.

PFC Vazquez informed the employee to contact the Richmond Police as they would have jurisdiction in this case.

#### Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 14-10419 300 Block Maple Avenue, East September 13 12:36 a.m.

Sgt. Juelharte was on patrol when she observed the driver of a vehicle commit a traffic offense. As a result of that offense she conducted a traffic stop. Upon her interaction with the driver she detected the signs of possible impairment. After failing to complete a series of field sobriety tests she arrested Mr. Najib Sana, 37, of McFarlin Drive in Germantown, Maryland for Driving While Intoxicated.

Mr. Sana was transported to the Vienna Police Station where he was given the opportunity to provide a sample of his breath for an analysis. After the analysis he was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

Mr. Sana was to be held until he was sober.

#### Domestic Assault 14-10427 400 Block West Street, NW September 13 10:07 a.m.

A resident reported that she and her adult son had been involved in a heated argument that escalated when they began to push each other.

Officer Slebonick responded however the son had taken his children to his grandmother's home prior to his arrival. There were no visible signs on the resident that she had been assaulted and she informed Officer Slebonick that she did not wish to pursue charges.

MPO Evans responded to the grandmother's residence and spoke with the son who provided a similar account of the incident. There were also no visible signs of an assault on the son. He also did not wish to pursue charges against his mother.

Found Property 14-10429 South Side Park 1317 Ross Drive, SE September 13 11:02 a.m.

A Town of Vienna employee found a lanyard containing keys and membership cards. The items will be held at the Vienna Police Station until the owner can be identified.

Suspicious Event 14-10444 300 Block Ayr Hill Avenue, NE September 13 10:46 p.m.

A resident reported she had heard voices yelling in the backyard just prior to her home security alarm being activated. She also believed someone had been attempting to gain entry into her home via the rear door.

MPO Smith, Officer Tremont and a K9 officer with the Fairfax County Police Department searched the area and were unable to locate anyone. There were no signs of an attempted forced entry into the residence.

Animal Case 14-10458 100 Block Center Street, South September 14 12:27 p.m.

Several citizens reported seeing two to four kittens in the sewer drain leading into the Vienna Elementary School. MPO Evans made several attempts to retrieve the kittens however he was unsuccessful as the kittens would retreat to an area that was inaccessible.

ACO Barker will follow up with this case.

#### **Suspicious Event 14-10478**

#### Maple Avenue at Center Street, North

#### September 14 9:30 p.m.

A resident stated he had been in Washington, D.C. and while returning home a black Hyundai followed him to his residence all the while the driver was blowing his horn in what seemed like an attempt to get him to pull over.

The driver of the Hyundai had left the area prior to the arrival of the police officers.

Animal Case 14-10475 Nutley Street at Maple Avenue, SW September 14 9:41 p.m.

Officer Tremont responded to the area for the report of a Boxer type dog running at large. Upon his arrival he along with MPO Smith and Officer Herrera were able to secure the dog.

The dog was transported to the Fairfax County Animal Control Shelter where it will be held until the owners can be identified.

Solicitor 14-10553 600 Block Tapawingo Road, SW September 16 5:20 p.m.

MPO Sheeran was on patrol when he observed an individual who appeared to be soliciting town residents. After making contact with the individual he determined he had been attempting to make appointments to provide estimates for landscape services.

MPO Sheeran informed the individual of the need to obtain a Town of Vienna Solicitors Permit in order to continue. He agreed to cease solicitations until the proper permit was obtained.

Open Door 14-10561 Panera Bread 136 Maple Avenue, West September 16 10:17 p.m.

An alarm company reported that a business alarm had been activated. MPO Shaver responded and located a locked but unsecured front door. The business was searched and nothing was found to be out of place.

MPO Shaver secured the door prior to leaving the business.

Suspicious Event 14-10585 Caribbean Tan 424 Maple Avenue, East September 17 6:20 p.m.

An employee reported that the mother of an ex employee entered the business and began yelling and cursing at the employee because her daughter had been fired.

The employee requested that the woman be trespassed if she returns to the business. Officer Digan informed her to call the police if she returned.

Arrest – Domestic Assault 14-10592 Whispering Wind Court September 18 12:30 a.m.

A resident reported that her boyfriend and her adult son had been involved in a heated argument that escalated when the boyfriend pushed the son off the deck.

Officer Digan responded and after speaking with all the individuals he arrested the boyfriend for Domestic Assault.

The boyfriend was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Domestic Assault and was held on a \$1,000.00 bond.

# **CRASHES**

#### 200 Block Charles Street, SE 14-10406

#### September 12 7:12 p.m.

The owner of a legally parked vehicle returned to his vehicle and discovered that the driver's side mirror had been struck by an unknown vehicle.

#### Whole Foods 14-10434 143 Maple Avenue, East September 13 3:02 p.m.

The driver of a vehicle was attempting to park when he stated his shoe slipped and got stuck, causing the vehicle to accelerate over the curb. After going over the curb the vehicle continued, knocking down a fence, then struck several tables and chairs before coming to a stop.

# Maple Avenue near Center Street, East 14-10490 September 15 9:13 a.m.

The drivers of two vehicles were traveling west bound on Maple Avenue in adjacent lanes. The driver of the vehicle in the rightmost lane was slowing for the red traffic signal at Center Street, East.

The driver of the vehicle in the rightmost lane was switching into the left lane and rear ended the vehicle already occupying that lane.

#### Maple Avenue near W&OD Trail 14-10498 September 15 1:38 p.m.

The drivers of two vehicles were traveling east bound on Maple Avenue in the same lane of travel. The driver of the first vehicle slowed due to heavy traffic and was rear ended by the second vehicle.

The driver of the second vehicle was issued a summons for Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

#### 600 Block Plum Street, SW 14-10623 September 18 9:39 p.m.

The drivers of two vehicles were traveling towards each other and stated that because the roadway is very narrow, due to vehicles parked on both sides, as they attempted to squeeze by each other they collided.

# **Assistance Needed**



# RECOVERED SAFE

VIENNA POLICE DEPARTMENT



On Tuesday August 23, 2014 at approximately 0931 Hours., a homeowner in the 600 Block of Niblick DR, SE, Vienna, VA discovered a 1' x 8" x 8" safe on their property. The safe had sustained significant damage.

Anyone with information or a connected case is encouraged to contact:

Det. S. R. Leroux / Vienna Police Department: (703)255-6332.

# **MEDIA RELEASES**



# Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

# Vienna Police Department to Participate in 9<sup>th</sup> D.E.A. Prescription Drug Take Back Initiative

Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

In conjunction with the United States Drug Enforcement Administration (D.E.A.) and state and local law enforcement agencies, the Vienna Police Department will again participate in a one-day initiative to remove potentially dangerous controlled substances from area homes.

On September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. the Vienna Police Department will have a collection site for old, expired, unused, or unwanted medications. Prescription medications, controlled or non-controlled substances, and over the counter drugs may be turned in anonymously at the collection point inside Vienna Police Headquarters at 215 Center Street, South, Vienna, Virginia 22180.

Participants may dispose of medication in its original container or by removing it and disposing of it directly in to the collection box. If an original container is used the individual should consider removing any identifying information from the prescription label.

Liquid products should remain sealed in their original container to prevent leakage.

Intravenous solutions, injectables, and syringes will not be accepted due to associated hazards.

Commercial businesses, pharmacies or other medical facilities may not use this as a means to discard expired medications or medical waste.

For further information please contact:
MPO Gary R. Lose - Town of Vienna Police Department
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### **CASE UPDATES**

None.

# **OF INTEREST/ CITIZEN NOTES**

**Please Note:** Remove all valuables from an unattended vehicle and most importantly, lock the vehicle doors.

# Interested in becoming a Vienna police officer?

Consider joining one of the premier law enforcement agencies in Northern Virginia. The Town of Vienna Police Department offers a competitive salary, excellent benefits.

For application information please call 703-255-6350 or visit: <a href="http://agency.governmentjobs.com/vienna/default.cfm">http://agency.governmentjobs.com/vienna/default.cfm</a>

Citizens are reminded to PLEASE call and report suspicious activity. Even if you choose not to provide your name or other personal information, we still need your help as extra eyes and ears in the community.

See or Hear Something? Say Something! We *WANT* to be Bothered! Call 9-1-1.

Please contact MPO Gary Lose for further information on any of these cases at glose@viennava.gov or 703-255-6396.